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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 44

BY REPRESENTATIVE FOIL

STATE AGENCIES: Requests all state agencies in the executive branch of state government to provide for a crisis leave pool and requests the Department of State Civil Service to report progress to the legislature

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request each agency in the executive branch of state government to develop and 3 implement a crisis leave pool that would enable employees to donate leave which 4 could be used by employees who cannot work due to a crisis situation and who have 5 insufficient leave to cover the absence required by the crisis situation. 6 WHEREAS, in 1992, the legislature enacted provisions to authorize agencies in state 7 government to establish a program to allow employees to donate and pool their leave and 8 to allow a participating employee to use the pooled leave for a personal emergency, 9 including a catastrophic illness or serious injury to the employee or to the employee's spouse 10 or minor child; and 11 WHEREAS, in 2001, the State Civil Service Commission adopted a rule to provide 12 requirements for the approval of departmental crisis leave pool policies established to 13 provide compassionate leave to a classified civil service employee who has exhausted his 14 or her leave and who is involved in a personal or family crisis which temporarily restricts 15 the employee's ability to report to work; and 16 WHEREAS, as of March of 2015, only thirteen departments in the executive branch 17 of state government and the office of the lieutenant governor have adopted a crisis leave pool 18 for their employees; and

1 WHEREAS, unfortunately, there remain many departments and agencies in the 2 executive branch of state government which have not adopted a crisis leave pool for their 3 employees. 4 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 5 urge and request each agency in the executive branch of state government to develop and 6 implement a crisis leave pool that would enable employees to donate leave which could be 7 used by employees who cannot work due to a crisis situation and who have insufficient leave 8 to cover the absence required by the crisis situation. 9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted 10 to each statewide elected official and to the chief executive officer of each department in the 11 executive branch of state government. 12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby request 13 the Department of State Civil Service to submit a report on the status of the adoption of 14 crisis leave pools by agencies in the executive branch of state government to the House 15 Committee on House and Governmental Affairs and the Senate Committee on Senate and 16 Governmental Affairs no later than January 15, 2016.

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Requests the Dept. of State Civil Service to report on the status of the adoption of crisis leave pools by agencies in the executive branch of state government to the committees on House and Governmental Affairs and Senate and Governmental Affairs by Jan. 15, 2016.